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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98, I am submitting a completed "INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANTS" (*Form PTO/SB/08A*) with patents and/or publications as delineated therein attached.

DE 35 14712 discloses that, in order to reduce the operational noises and to simplify assembly, an integral plastic moulding is proposed for a vapour extractor hood, which plastic moulding consists of a housing shell, side walls, a screen and a ventilation trough, and has moulded-on installation channels and assembly elements for a guide shield and a fat-filter holder.

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EP 1 094 224 discloses that the radial fan has a housing containing an electric motor (12) and a fan assembly (4) with a fan wheel rotatable about a rotation axis. The housing has axial air inlet (6) and radial or tangential outlet (10) openings, two separable parts (2a,2b) and a fan assembly bearer (20) held by spoke-shaped bearer elements (18,18a), at least one (18a) forming a cable duct for electrical motor connection leads with a transition to a connector housing.

EP 0 985 829 discloses that the fan housing has a housing assembly with at least one bearer part (5) mounted near an axial air inlet opening (1) of a fan and that forms a bearing for

a bearer element of the fan assembly. The housing assembly has at least two shell parts (7a,7b) that are reversibly connected together and that divide the air inlet opening, whereby the bearer part is held between the shell parts in the assembled state. An Independent claim is also included for a fan.

DE 196 30 616 discloses that the fan has a housing set into the wall of a building and a fan insert contg. a fan driven by a motor (13). A fire protection flap can be removably fixed in the blower opening when the fan insert is removed. The fan has an air inlet and an outlet with a non-return flap. The drive motor is connected via electrical leads passing through the fan housing to a room switching unit or central building controller. A control component (9) can be plugged into the fan insert in the fan housing, or unplugged and electrically disconnected, without disconnecting the electrical leads. The control component contains a control element (14) with a defined control function for the fan motor. The control element can be replaced by another with a different control function.

EP 0 501 198 discloses that the junction temperature on the output stage transistors of the open or closed loop control electronics represents a co-determining factor for the admissible output of a DC motor without collector. Fixing these transistors on separate cooling elements in order to obtain efficient cooling of the output stage transistors is known in the art. The new arrangement is intended to permit a significant improvement in the cooling of the output stage transistors at minimum cost. The spiral casing (10), at least in the area of the spiral inlet, is made of metal and in this area has cooling fins (12) on its inner side running parallel to the air flow. The casing (18) accommodating the open or closed loop control electronics has a thermally conductive connection to that part of the spiral casing (10) containing the cooling fins (12).

CH 684763 discloses an extractor hood for use in kitchens above cooker hotplates, comprising a hood housing (20) having a lower extracting opening (21) and an upper outgoing-air duct (22), two radial fans (1) sucking on both sides being arranged in the housing (20) between the lower extracting opening (21) and the upper outgoing-air duct (22), the inflow openings (11, 12) of which radial fans are connected in terms of flow to the extracting opening (21) and the blow-out opening (10) of which radial fans is connected to the outgoing-air duct (22), and the radial fans (1) each comprising a motor (6), two fan impellers being arranged in a common housing (2) on a rotor of the motor (6).

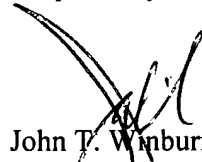
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